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SUBJ: WATERGATE INVESTIGATION: PROPOSED INTERVIEW OF
MEXICAN NATIONAL

REF: STATE 157037

1. PROPOSED INTERVIEWS SEEM CLEARLY TO AMOUNT TO INVESTIGATIONS PURSUED IN MEXICO BY U.S. OFFICIALS. EMBASSY BELIEVES GOM ADVANCE KNOWLEDGE AND ACQUIESCENCE ESSENTIAL. FORMER INTERVIEWS, MENTIONED PARA 1.A. REFTEL, WERE CONDUCTED BY LEGATT STAFF ON SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FROM FBI. GOM WAS NOT REPEAT NOT INFORMED OF THESE INTERVIEWS (UNLESS BY PERSONS INTERVIEWED) BUT THIS SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT FROM CURRENT PROPOSAL, IN THAT INTERVIEWS WERE CONDUCTED BY PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THIS MISSION. GOM IS AT PRESENT EXTREMELY SENSITIVE TO OPERATIONS OF USG IN MEXICO, DUE TO "REVELATIONS" OF EX-CIA AGENT PHILIP AGEE (SEE MEXICO 6114) AND MIGHT VETO EVEN RE-INTERVIEWS BY LEGATT STAFF.

2. LEGATT HAS NOT BEEN ADVISED BY FBI OF OFFER DESCRIBED PARA 2 REFTEL AND WOULD REQUIRE SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS IN

THIS RESPECT.

3. THERE IS NO ASSURANCE THAT THOSE TO BE INTERVIEWED

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WILL BE WILLING TO SUBMIT TO ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS AS

CONTEMPLATED

AND THERE IS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT SOMEONE AT LEAST, WILL REFUSE.

4. IF EITHER GOM OR PERSONS TO BE INTERVIEWED OBJECT, PROPOSAL COULD OBVIOUSLY NOT BE CARRIED OUT. BEFORE APPROACHING EITHER PARTY, HOWEVER, EMBASSY REQUESTS FURTHER GUIDANCE.

5. APPROACH TO GOM AND POTENTIAL INTERVIEWEES WOULD BE MORE LIKELY TO SUCCEED IF IT COULD BE MADE ON BASIS OF RATHER SPECIFIC INFORMATION AS TO SCOPE AND DEPTH OF MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT THE DEPARTMENT CONSIDER FOREGOING AND ADVISE EMBASSY WHETHER IT SHOULD APPROACH GOM

AND PERSONS TO BE INTERVIEWED ON THIS PROPOSAL. EMBASSY ASSUMES PROPOSAL BEING COORDINATED WITH FBI, WHICH WE CONSIDER AS ESSENTIAL STEP. JOVA

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